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BRUCE VINDICATED

SUPERINTENDENT DAVIDSON

Exonerates the Assistant Superintendent—Great Enthusiasm of His Friends—Vote Stood 5 to 3 for Bruce's Retention.

At a full meeting of the Board of Education held in the Franklin Building Wednesday afternoon, Mr. Roscoe Conkling Bruce was fully exonerated of all charges against him, and received the unanimous indorsement of the Board of Education and the hearty congratulation of his friends. Two weeks ago The Bee was the first journal to publish the fact that Mr. Bruce had been exonerated by the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Davidson. All material charges, expressed, implied and direct, were fully investigated by Dr. Davidson. He had interviews with teachers, and in many instances Mr. Davidson wondered how Mr. Bruce succeeded as well as he has. Many of the teachers didn't co-operate with him, and it is more the determination of the superintendent to give the entire control of the colored schools to Mr. Bruce, which ought to be done, as the law provides. After the recommendation of Dr. Davidson was submitted, Messrs. Horner and Tunnell made addresses in opposition to the adoption of the superintendent's report, and Mrs. Harris read an address, which failed to show any opposition to Mr. Bruce. The only evidence of her opposition was recorded in her vote. Dr. Tunnell failed to vote against Mr. Bruce on the first ballot until Mr. Horner called for another vote. There was no spirit of vindictiveness in any of the opposition speeches, which were listened to by those who voted for the retention of Mr. Bruce with a degree of complacency. President Oyster called for the previous question, which was the superintendent's report, which resulted in a vote of 5 to 3 in favor of Mr. Bruce.

Roscoe Conkling Bruce was born in Washington, D. C., April 21, 1879, to Blanche Kelso and Josephine Bealle (Wilson) Bruce. The father was the only man of Negro blood ever elected to a full term in the U. S. Senate. The mother left a classroom in the public schools of Cleveland, Ohio, to marry; her father was Joseph Wilson, a dentist, and a man of letters.

Roscoe attended the Friends School in Washington, and then the public elementary and secondary schools. He spent two years at Phillips Exeter Academy, taking a special interest in debating and in school journalism. Upon graduation from Phillips Exeter, he entered Harvard College.

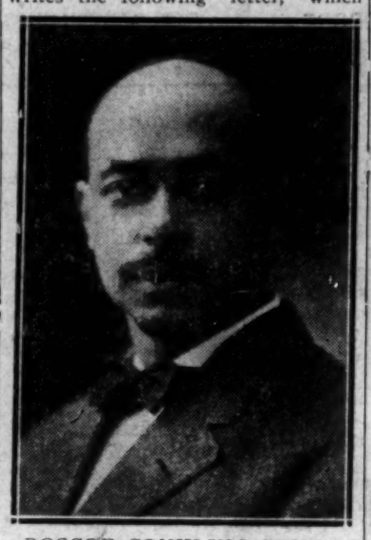
At Harvard Bruce's studies were mainly in the social sciences. In debating he won the Sophomore and Pasteur medals, the Coolidge prize, and medals for being on the winning 'Varsity teams against both Princeton and Yale. He was president of the Sophomore Debating Club, and for two terms president of the University Debating Club. Bruce graduated from Harvard College, a member of Phi Beta Kappa, with distinction in political economy and in philosophy, and the degree of "magna cum laude." Bruce was class day orator, his oration being devoted to the problem of national education in America.

Upon graduation Bruce entered at once upon a career in educational administration and supervision as director of the Academic Department of Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute (1902-6).

June 3, 1903, he was married to Clara Washington Burrill, of Washington, D. C. Miss Burrill was a student at Radcliffe College from Sept., 1901, to June, 1903. The family now contains three children: Clara Josepine, Roscoe Conkling, Jr., and B. K. 2d.

In September, 1906, Bruce became supervising principal of the 10th division of the public schools of Washington, D. C., with 100 teachers and 3,000 pupils. Since September, 1907, he has been assistant superintendent of public schools, in charge of 600 teachers and 16,000 pupils. As assistant superintendent, Bruce has given much time and energy to securing adequate provision for the industrial training of colored youth under the auspices of the public schools. The first vocational school in the history of the colored schools of the District of Columbia was opened in the fall of 1911; the second one will probably be ready for occupancy in the fall of 1912.

Representative Olcott, of New York, in commending Mr. Bruce, writes the following letter, which



ROSCOE CONKLING BRUCE
Exonerated of all Charges.

The Bee reproduces:

New York City,
September 26, 1911.

To Whom it May Concern:

I was personally acquainted with Mr. Roscoe Conkling Bruce during the Sixtieth and Sixty-first Congress, and met him frequently in connection with my work on the District of Columbia Committee. It was information furnished by him that advised me of facts that enabled me to make such representations to the Committee on Appropriations which resulted in the colored schools of the District being treated with some degree of fairness. I am confident that without his assistance it would have been impossible for me to be successful in my efforts in this direction. I consider him an able, honest and conscientious man.

Yours fraternally,

(Signed) J. VAN VECHTEN OLCOTT.

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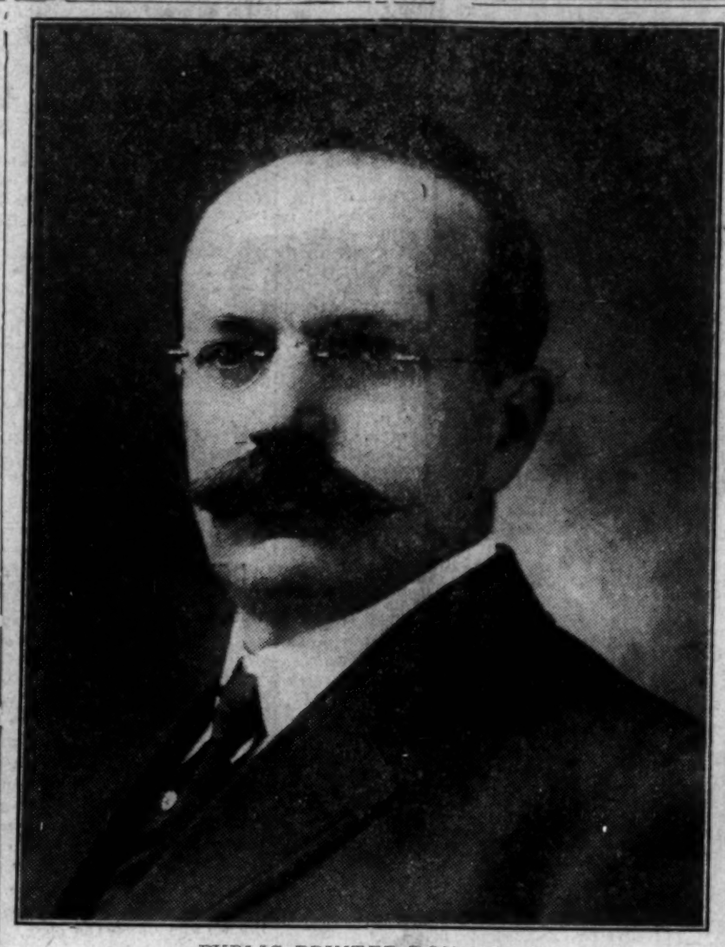

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SUPT. BRUCE VETOES

Nalle Recommendation—No Cause to Close the School.

Mr. Roscoe C. Bruce, assistant superintendent of schools, vetoed the recommendation of Supervising Principal John C. Nalle last week to close one of the colored schools. Mr. Bruce investigated the recommendation of Mr. Nalle, and was convinced that his recommendation was without warrant. It is quite likely that a change in the supervision will be made shortly for the good of the schools. It is argued that a change in Mr. Nalle's position will undoubtedly be made shortly. It is also hinted that Mr. Cordozo will also be changed.

ANSWERS HIS CRITICS

HENRY LINCOLN JOHNSON,

Of Atlanta, Talking to a Representative of The Bee Concerning a Recent Editorial Statement in the New York Age, Eaid:

"The New York Age editorial of February 29, 1912, purposely puts words in my mouth that I have never said; it gave wings to an alleged sentiment that I have never entertained, and nobody knows this better than Mr. Fortune, the editorial writer for the Age. It is no excuse for Mr. Fortune to say that he quoted the Atlanta Constitution in saying what he did touching me, for Mr. Fortune is quite aware of the fact that the Constitution would very quickly make a report of a colored man's talk such as they thought he ought to make, and not such as he actually made. What I did say in the part of my address to which this misstatement of the Age refers, was about as this: I was addressing a very large convention of both white and colored delegates and a large number of white and colored spectators, a splendid audience, at the Orpheum Theater. I had observed that the primary mission of the Republican party was one of emancipation, and that they had accomplished bodily emancipation of Negroes under the final decree signed by Mr. Lincoln in his Emancipation Proclamation; that the Republican party in Georgia must now address itself to the emancipation of the white people in Georgia from their inexorable mental and moral bondage; that Providence had especially, and munificently endowed the State of Georgia with those natural resources, the development of which would be best subserved under the economic policies advocated by the Republican party and resisted by the Democratic party, and if the white people of Georgia were not absolute slaves in mind and morals, the State would be more safely Republican than Vermont or New Hampshire. The fact that fourteen Negroes, and among them one woman, had been lynched in our native State in the last nine months was proof positive of the mental and moral thraldom of the white people in Georgia who control the State, and that its only hope for disenthralment lay in the beneficent policies and spirit of the Republican party, manifested under its laws and in their orderly execution; that office holding, as a recent Democratic paper had alleged, was not responsible for any of these outbreaks; that the matter of office holding, is not the aim and destiny of any great party, and should not be; its principles are the main things and office holding incidental; measure well my words, I would this day gladly exchange every little subordinate, bowlegged, mangy job held by Negroes in Georgia under any form ofGovernment, if in exchange therefor we could secure the absolute and unequivocal courthouse rights for Negroes in every county in our State; for in that even every poor black man would be on the pay roll, the payroll of the commonwealth."

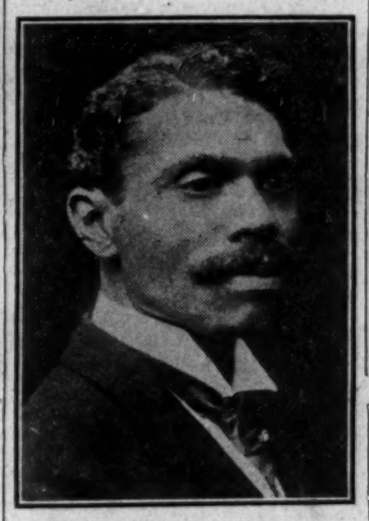
"Now these are the sentences over which the Age and Constitution have gone wild in their broad misrepresentations. Neither one has done the courtesy to try and ascertain at first hand the truth about it, but prefer to do just what they have, to wit: misrepresent. The Constitution of Georgia and the Age of New York are both alike in one respect, they seem for some reason or other to forever oppose me. An affirmance of the Decalogue on my part would call forth a denial of the Decalogue on the part of both the Age of New York, and the Constitution of Georgia. An expression of belief in the Deity on my part, promptly would bring forth a denial of belief in the Deity on the part of the Age of New York and the Constitution of Georgia. As far as I am personally concerned, the Age of New York and the Constittuion of Georgia are at perfect liberty to continue this work of misrepresentation, and it does not harry my soul one single moment. The only reason why I make this open denial is that many friends of mine, loyal and true, feel that in justice to them I should do so, and here it is: the Constitution of Georgia and the Age of New York, each, severally, grossly misrepresented me."

RALPH TYLER IN CHICAGO.

Prominent Man of the Race Returning From Western Trip On Matters of State, Stops Off in City. Pays Defender a Visit and Passed Time With the Richard Masons, of Forest Avenue.

(Chicago Defender.)

The Chicago Defender staff was honored by a most distinguished visitor, Thursday, in the person of Mr. Ralph Tyler, Auditor for the Navy Department, at Washington, D. C. Mr. Tyler is one of the foremost men



of the race, and holds one of the highest salaried positions in the Navy. The eminent caller was but passing through the city from a tour in the West, where he had gone to attend to matters of administration. While in the city Mr. Tyler was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mason, 3624½ Forest Avenue, Mr. Mason having been his boyhood's chum. In conversation with the editor of Defender, Mr. Tyler spoke in most glowing terms of the paper, saying he purchased the paper weekly from Mr. Jones, who has the agency in Washington, and he felt he must call on the staff of a paper which he considered the best Negro paper in the West.

HON. JOSEPH C. MANNING

Aligns Himself With the Taft Supporters.

No white man in this country is more outspoken for human rights than Joseph C. Manning, of Alabama, and the position he takes in the pending contest as between the forces of Roosevelt and Taft, will be of interest to colored people everywhere. Mr. Manning is opposed to the Roosevelt candidacy. His view is that it is his duty to take a position in this contest and he says that he prefers to align himself with men like Senator Crane, Congressman McKinlay and other well known believers in human rights, than to have more of this sea of confusion that has arisen out of Rooseveltism. Mr. Manning is a strong friend of Hon. Henry Lincoln Johnson, the Recorder of Deeds.

HONORED BY WEST

HAIL BOOKER AS "MESSIAH."

Religious Devotees Write Washington, Negro Educator, Bestowing Biblical Titles.

(From Chicago Journal, March 11.)

When Booker T. Washington, the famous Negro educator, who is here raising funds to erect Y. M. C. A. buildings for his race, opened his mail today he found that he had been crowned as the "anointed one, who was to suffer at the hands of his people for their salvation." He received many letters from religious devotees of his race, who called him "a real prophet of the Lord," "the Messiah," and other Biblical titles.

"I receive more letters of this type in Chicago than I do at any other city in the country," he said as he threw them aside after glancing through them.

"I think the opportunities are greater in the South for the Negro than they are in the North. Conditions that have resulted from slavery

made this so, as under the old system the Negro was forced by the white man to become proficient in commercial and industrial lines. It was not hard for the Negroes to follow the lines they were taught after slavery was abolished, and today they are doing better in the South than anywhere else in the United States.

"While the white race is hampered by traditional methods of education, the Negro is starting out without any traditions and therefore is not handicapped. I have been criticised because I urge that the Negroes be taught along industrial lines and drilled in English instead of other languages. I believe, however, that they should be educated for a commercial and industrial life."

Washington was reticent in discussing the fight being made to put William H. Lewis, Assistant United States Attorney General, a Negro, out of the American Bar Association.

"Lewis is a high-toned colored gentleman," he said. He was more talkative on Jack Johnson, the Negro pugilist.

"Johnson once donated liberally to a church fund when I was present, and I thought how much good he might do among his race if he urged all his followers to go to church," he said.

Prof. Washington will speak at the First Baptist Church of Englewood **tonight under the auspices of the Englewood Law and Order League.** He will take the place of Congressman Richard P. Hobson, also of Alamaba, who was unable to be present. Before leaving Friday, Washington will **address the Association of Commerce, the City Club, the Y. M. C. A.** and various other organizations.

While here he is the guest of Julius Rosenwald, one of the directors of Tuskegee Institute, who not long ago visited that place in company with a number of other Chicagoans.

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WILL THE BUILDING BE SOLD?

Law Alumni Up in Arms—A Wave of Protest—Is it a Scheme to Abolish the Law School?

Editor, Washington Bee:

In connection with the persistent rumor that the Board of Trustees of Howard University propose to sell Wm. Evarts Hall, the home of the Law Department in Fifth Street, I ask leave to file, as it were, the following statement of fact and opinion by way of protest against the proposed action.

Some years ago the late Dr. Teunis Hamlin, president of the Board of Trustees of Howard University, stood before the student body in Andrew Rankin Chapel and spoke, in effect, as follows: "I want it distinctly understood that Howard University is not being run by any resident or group of residents of the city of Washington. The affairs of this institution are conducted by the Board of Trustees, duly constituted by law, and it is for the Board alone to say what shall be the policy of Howard University." What Dr. Hamlin said was true then and it is true today. What Dr. Hamlin did not say, however, was this: that the Board of Trustees of Howard University, or any other University for that matter, is as powerless to stem the tide of a just indignation as a fishing smack to stay the ocean's fury off the Hook of Holland. The administrative functions of a university must be under the direction of some one source of authority; otherwise a university could not be run. For this reason a board of trustees is instituted and maintained. A university, however, has its greatness in the character and dignity of its alumni (and its student body). Without these, a university can have a thousand boards of trustees and still be merely a myth and nothing more.

The words of Dr. Hamlin referred to above, were uttered in connection with certain internal disorders existing in Howard University at that time. The denouement of those events is now a matter of history. Then came President Thirkield, the man of energetic excellence, with a record of all the best years of his life spent in furthering the great uplift among the Negroes of this country. He went to work. The result has been that two blades of grass have been made to grow in the place where before not one blade, but no grass at all had grown. Under his direction Howard University has become a name to conjure with. Yet with all he has done and all he will do in the years to come (of which I trust there may be many), President Thirkield has not demonstrated and he never will demonstrate the uselessness of law schools for the training of Negro lawyers, Dean Swift to the contrary notwithstanding.

Now in addition to all the good things President Thirkield has brought to Howard, close observers have noted that there has been present at all times a very apparent, indifference, if not indeed a deep-seated dislike, for the law school. Dr. Thirkield, from the moment of his coming, took up the Medical Department as his "own sweet child," fondled and petted it, and gave it the best of everything, until it got "entirely too big for its pants," as ye old-time mothers used to say, and finally it turned and struck the very hand that had so coddled it. Today the Medical Department stands as the one department of the University whose faculty and students have assumed an insufferable air of independence of, and insult to, the executive head of the institution. On the other hand President Thirkield has neglected, ignored, frowned down the Law School and rammed it into last place in everything. He has made contemptuous reference to its fine library, while the fees which its students pay in every year (and when I say pay I mean pay, and not promise to pay) have been used—where? Certainly not in the law library. I happened to drop into the Law School library last September. While there I noticed several new volumes spread out upon a table. Upon inquiry I was informed that these, with certain exceptions, were the additions to the law library for the year 1911-12. The total number of volumes scarcely exceeded the annual additions to my own library, purchased out of the "measley" salary of a government mule.

In the catalogue, on the official stationery, in the academic procession, at the graduation, any and everywhere, if you want to find the Law School, the quickest way is to look for the heavenly Prep. Department. The Law School will be found along-side of, or just barely in front of the heathen Preps.; that is, if any Preps. are there. Otherwise, at all events, you will find the law men last. The "sky pilots" come first, of course. It is immaterial who comes next, so long as the Law School comes last. I have heard Dr. Thirkield speak for thirty minutes about Howard University, dilating disproportionately on the Medical Department, and giving a few remarks to the other colleges of the University—except one: not one word had he to say about the Law School. Last year when the academic procession formed to march into the Chapel for the baccalaureate sermon, the eternal Preps., of course, were right with us, and when we reached our seats to our disgust we (of the law class) found that three of the Preps. were actually sandwiched in between, and were about to be seated among the law men. To Dr. Tunnel is due the credit for averting what might have been, to say the least, a very unfortunate occurrence. Just as several of us were about to fling the nondescripts out into the aisle, Dr. Tunnel grasped the situation, and beckoning the Preps. to follow him, thereupon proceeded to lose them somewhere back in the jungles where they belonged. I may observe at this point, parenthetically, that if the University must ram some department down next to the heathen Preps. that queer "College of Liberal Arts" with its two deans and peculiar assortment of degrees, should make the most suitable choice. The College of Law belongs distinctly and distinctively UP FRONT.

After all that has been done to humiliate the Law School, now comes this new move to sell the law building. The move should be scrutinized with the utmost care, for I have not the slightest doubt that it marks the beginning of the end of the Law School. The rumor says "they are going to have a new building. It will be erected on that vacant space at the corner of Georgia and Howard Avenues. The idea is to have all the University buildings together on the campus." In the first place, altho the vacant space referred to belongs to Howard University, it is not a part of the campus, nor will placing a building on it make it so. It is entirely outside of the campus scheme. If it can be said to be any part of the campus of Howard University, then all those houses on Sixth street and Corby's bakery, too, are on the campus.

The main point in this whole matter, however, is this: with the law building on Fifth street once disposed of and re-erected, so to speak, on this "quasi-campus" on Georgia Avenue, then will begin the real disruption of the Law Department. Unless something is done to prevent it, I predict that methods will be found for curtailing and hampering the Law School to such an extent that within a woefully short space of time President Thirkield will feel justified (?) in going before the Board of Trustees and saying, "Developments demonstrate that the Law School has outlived its usefulness as a part of our University scheme. I move that it be abolished." In its place—what? A College of Agriculture? Now, of course, farming is a fine thing, but must the Law School be destroyed in order that farming may be taught in Howard University?

It is time for the alumni and friends of the long suffering Law School to wake up. Seeing what forces are at work against us, it is high time, it seems to me, that the worm turned. It would seem to be time also for President Thirkield to take a new tack and tell the law alumni once for all what he intends to do and assure them that the Law School will sustain no harm. It is time for him to quit reckoning without his host, as it were; for as a matter of fact the law men constitute the one branch of the alumni and student body to be found at this moment squarely and solidly behind President Thirkield in his efforts to upbuild Howard University. Dr. Thirkield should not ignore the lesson to be learned from Frederick Barbarossa's treatment of the law students at the Universities of Bologna in ages past. It is a wholesome lesson.

Finally the Law Department of Howard University is a dynamic force at work, quietly, but insistently and effectively, for the Negro race in the United States. It is the one first-class Low School in this whole nation where colored men can study law like men and not like Ishmaelites. If it came to the point tomorrow where every department of Howard University would have to be abolished save one, that one department which ought to remain is the Law Department. Its influence for good is being felt all over this country, and in the years to come there are those who will be amazed, I fancy, to learn just what a force this school has been. I recall that as I approached the end of my four years' work in the College of Arts some years ago, I felt a certain degree of pride in that fact. I feel free to say, however, that the first real impressions of what is meant by the full measure of a man which had ever come to me in my whole life time were experienced within the first few weeks of my work in the Law School; and these impressions kept coming until the end of the course, whereupon I stepped forth with a new and an entirely different conception of men and things.

The law alumni have not commissioned me to speak for them, but I am one of them, and I speak for myself. I have not the least doubt, however, that hundreds, indeed practically all, of the law men will support me in saying that any effort on the part of President Thirkield, the Board of Trustees or anybody else to abolish, cripple or further humiliate the Law School will be considered an unfriendly act and one that will call forth an indignation and an opposition that will never down until the Law School shall have been given the consideration to which it is justly entitled.

Yours sincerely,
JAMES C. WATERS, JR.
College 1904, Law, 1911.

ATHLETICS IN THE SCHOOLS.

Manager Henderson on the Go.

At the Executive Board meeting of the Public School Athletic League, held yesterday afternoon, plans were laid for an extensive program of athletic sports this spring. Intra division series of baseball games will be conducted by the Division Games Committee, and the various division schedules must be arranged to settle the championship before May 15. At this time the Central Games Committee of the elementary schools will have arranged to start the city championship series between the teams that win division championships.

Track work was also considered. It was voted to hold the championship out-door meet on June 8. The events in the four standard weight classifications are: (80 pound class) 50 yard dash, running high jump, running broad jump, and the 360 yard relay race; (95 pound class) 60 yard dash, running high jump, running broad jump, 440 yard relay race; (115 pound class) 70 yard dash, 8 pound shot put, running broad jump and 440 yard relay race; (unlimited weight) 100 yard dash, 12 pound shot put, running high jump, and 880 yard relay race.

One boy will be allowed to enter only one dash, one field event, and one relay event. It is planned to make this one of the biggest events of the league. It was also decided to encourage school field days. On these occasions a school would have some or all of the standard events for competition, and would arrange events for boys and girls to be entered in by nearly all of the pupils of the upper four grades. School field days in New York and some other cities are features of the school year. One entire school day is permitted each school in many cities, upon which to go to an athletic field and conduct games.

Bulletins will be sent out from headquarters giving information relative to the tournaments and events of the season. The manifold benefits of competition will be evident in large measure during the coming season.

Of the one hundred and fifty boys who entered the contest for silver athletic badges only 35 are left to meet the conditions of the final test, that of running 220 yards in 28 seconds or less. Before several hundred spectators, the boys who had been able to chin nine times, jumped to attempt to clear four feet, four inches in height. All were given three trials; fifty-six boys fell by the wayside, while thirty-five cleared the bar. This is probably the largest number of high jumpers to be competing at one time, south of New York, and proved a remarkable exhibition. The event was held under the members of the P. S. A. L. High School Games Committee. The boys who succeeded in clearing the bar are as follows: M. Curtis, C. Johnson, J. Rector, V. Greene, R. Logan, K. Miller, W. Duncan, A. Smith, H. Tyler, W. Hall, G. Smith, E. Davidson, C. Miller, W. Fleming, W. Lacey, J. Cooper, J. E. Trigg, J. Barnes, H. Harris, C. Holmes, G. T. Butler, A. Watson, Faxio, R. Dandridge, G. Burwell, R. Taylor, C. Duckett, J. Burwell, F. Randall, L. Muse, J. Eggleston, C. Dickinson, J. Lofton, J. Brown, and Albert Brooks.

DEFIED THE COMMODORE.

Reuben Pinkham Was Insubordinate, but He Saved the Vessel and the Crew.

Reuben Pinkham, a native of Nantucket, made his first trip as third lieutenant on the ship Potomac, which crossed the north Pacific, a region little known to naval vessels in the early thirties. Pinkham had been on several whaling voyages and was familiar with those waters. The author of "The Island of Nantucket" says that one day, near sunset, he had the watch, while the commodore was pacing up and down the deck.

Suddenly Pinkham gave the order, "Man the weather braces!"

"What's that for?" asked the commodore.

"We shall have wind in a moment."

The commodore went to the lee rail and scanned the sea and sky. "I see no signs of wind," he returned. "Let the men leave the braces."

The crew dropped the ropes.

"Keep hold of the braces, every man of you!" called out Pinkham, and the men resumed their grasp. The commodore flushed with anger and exclaimed in peremptory tones:

"Let the men leave the braces!" and again the braces were dropped.

"Don't any of you dare to drop the ropes!" shouted Pinkham, shaking his trumpet at the crew, who once more took hold. Just then the wind dropped entirely; not a breath stirred.

"Taut, taut! Haul, all of you!" called Pinkham, and the ponderous yards swung to reversed position. The wind came out of the opposite quarter and struck the ship like a sledge hammer. The vessel staggered, shook the spray from her bows and dashed ahead. The commodore disappeared into his cabin without saying a word.

Presently he sent the first lieutenant to relieve Pinkham, requesting to see the latter immediately. When Pinkham entered the cabin the commodore said:

"I consider that I am indebted to you for all of our lives, but I will tell you frankly if that wind hadn't come I should have put you in irons in two minutes."

Marvels of India.

What a wonderful country is India! There is only one India. Its marvels are its own. There is the plague, the black death. India invented it. The car of Juggernaut was also India's invention. So was the suttee, and within the time of men still living 800 widows willingly and, in fact rejoicingly burned themselves to death on the bodies of their dead husbands in a single year. And 800 would do it this year if the British government would let them. Famine belongs especially to India. India has 2,000,000 gods and worships them all. On top of all this she is the mother and home of that wonder of wonders, caste, and also that mystery of mysteries, the Satanic Brotherhood of the Thugs.—Churchman.

Setting Her Right.

The pretty and petulant wife of a congressman stood for a moment before the window of the receiving teller in a Washington bank, then tapped the window with her parasol, exclaiming:

"Why don't you pay attention to me?"

"We pay nothing here, madam," was the reply. "Please go to the next window."—Denver Republican.

Those Useless Questions.

"How did you get the bruised face?"

"It was caused by the hatrack last night."

"Accidentally?"

"No; I think it attacked me purposely."—Kansas City Journal.

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The jest seemed a pleasant one, and the artist handed over the instrument. Rachel embellished it with ribbons and hung it in her own apartment, where it duly attracted the attention of Achille Fould, the banker. Hearing its story, he expressed the wish to possess it. "Very well," said Rachel, "you can have it for a thousand louis."

"Five hundred," said the banker, trying to bargain.

"No, a thousand," said Rachel, expressing her disdain for those who haggled.

And the banker actually paid a thousand louis for the worthless knick-knack. It is said that he learned the truth when he tried to sell his treasure at the Hotel Drouot and that the discovery of the hoax nearly sent him into a fit on the floor.

MEASURING THE EARTH.

Erastosthenes Made the First Attempt and Did Fairly Well.

The earliest attempt to measure the circumference of the earth was made by a Greek, Erastosthenes, who was born 276 B. C. He found that at Syene the gnomon, or upright pillar, used by the Greeks to measure the height of the sun in the sky, showed the sun to be exactly overhead at midday at the time of the summer solstice, while at Alexandria the gnomon cast a shadow upon the same date, showing that the latter point was one-fiftieth of the earth's circumference north of Syene.

Erastosthenes reasoned correctly that the length of the shadow at Alexandria bore the same relation to the circumference of the small circle described from the top of the gnomon as a center that the distance between the two cities bore to the circumference of the globe. This latter was 5,000 stadia, or about 625 miles, which when multiplied by fifty gives 31,250 miles as the circumference of the earth. This result is not quite correct, but as nearly so as could be expected from the first rough attempt to estimate it. —New York Mail.

Mexico's Way With Women.

Woman's place in Mexican life is the inevitable mingling of the Moorish ideas of the Spanish conquerors and the savage ideas of the natives, the Milwaukee Sentinel says. The Castilian hides his wife and daughters behind stone walls and the picturesque lattices of romance, and he is their lord and master. On the other hand, the Indian tribes are, of course, still bound by the spirit of the ancient savage customs. Historians tell of one of the baptismal ceremonies of the Meshic tribes, who fought their way to supremacy long before the Spanish arrived on the scene. To each boy baby the priests chanted this command: "Thy profession and faculty is war, thy obligation to give the sun to drink blood of the enemies and the earth corpses of the foes." To the girl baby they said with far less ceremonial: "You are to stay within the house, as the heart does within the body. Our Lord enshrines you in that place, and your office is to fetch and to grind maize in the metate."

Jokai's Joke.

At a banquet held in his honor in Torda, Maurus Jokai was called upon to propose the toast of "The Ladies." He made an excellent speech, during which he continually toyed with the brown curls upon his forehead. Finally he said: "I raise my glass in honor of the gracious ladies of Torda. May they all live until my hair grows gray." His audience drank to the toast, but it was easy to see by the faces of the ladies present that they did not think much of the compliment. Jokai rose again from his seat and took from his head a magnificent brown wig, showing an entirely bald head beneath it. "My hair," he added, "will never grow gray." And the ladies, who had not known of his baldness, were more than pacified.

Plants Without Roots.

The "flower of the air" is a curious plant found in China and Japan. It is so called because it appears to have no root and is never fixed to the earth. It twines around a dry tree or sterile rock. Each shoot produces two or three flowers like a lily—white, transparent and odoriferous. It is capable of being transported 600 or 700 miles, and it grows as it travels, suspended on a twig.

A Fidgety Age.

Repose of manner was considered at one time essential to the well bred woman, but this is an ideal long consigned to the past. Every one fidgets in these restless days, no one has time to sit still nor to listen for more than a minute at a time without being bored and showing it.—London Queen.

Generally.

Figg (sententiously)—To him that hath shall be given, you know. Fogg—Yes, the man who has a head gets ahead, I've noticed.—Boston Transcript.

True men and women are all physicians to make us well.—C. A. Bartol.

RACE FOR A THIEF.

Wild Chase Through the Streets In the Heart of London.

A DETECTIVE'S QUICK WORK.

The Police Officer Was Not Only Rapid Himself, but Compelled an Unsuspecting Bystander to Join In the Mad Flight and Capture.

In defending the London police from charges of incompetence a contributor to Blackwood's Magazine narrates an incident in which he figured a few years ago, when he accompanied his wife to a Bond street jeweler's, where she went in to match some pearls and have some gems reset, he awaiting her on the street, where he smoked his cigar. He says:

"I noticed three well dressed men go into the shop and several women, when suddenly one of the well dressed men came out through the glass doors of the shop and pushed rapidly past me as he turned up the street. At the same moment I was seized violently by the arm by a milkman who had been arranging his cans on his handcart just in front of the shop.

"'Quick, governor!' he shouted. 'After him or we lose him! Look; he's passed the bag to a pal!'

"Now, for the life of me I cannot tell you what impelled me. I'm not the kind of man that you can picture tearing up Bond street in the wake of an agitated milkman. But there was something in the grip that man took of my arm that impelled me, so that I threw away my cigar and ran after the man with the bag neck and neck with the milkman, who exhorted me to continue in my efforts by shouting:

"'Throw a leg, governor! If we lose him we lose him forever!'

"We tore up Conduit street. I don't know what the passersby thought. I had no time to think of them. When we reached Regent street our quarry dived into the traffic like a frog into a mill race. We went in after him. How I missed being knocked down I don't know. The milkman took the same risks. We were across almost as soon as the man and sped after him. I don't know what streets we doubled down. I know that at this period it flashed across my mind that I was making a conspicuous ass of myself. Here I was racing down the slums of Soho at the bidding of a strange milkman, who never stopped in his exhortations to me.

"'Keep it up and we'll get him!'

"Our quarry doubled and tacked, but we stuck to him till just as we were pacing down the very worst looking street of the lot he suddenly slipped into a low house, of which the door was open. My milkman never lost a second. He whispered hoarsely in my ear:

"'Stop here, governor, and grab the first person as comes out of that house, no matter who he is! I know the way behind.'

"In a flash he was gone. He had nipped down an alleyway and disappeared. I felt a real fool, and the whole folly of my action rushed in upon me. I had left my wife stranded in a shop in Bond street. I had lost my hat and my stick, and here I was in an almost deserted street, standing outside a door waiting with orders from a strange man to grab the first person that came out of it. In two seconds more I would have left the place and gone to the nearest hatter, a wiser and chastened man. But just at that moment a boy of about fifteen came out of the door. My milkman must have left his spell upon me, for I immediately threw my arms around him.

"'Lemme go, governor!' he shouted. 'I ain't done nuffin' to you!'

"He struggled hard, and the more he struggled the more I felt impelled to hold him. And then suddenly, as if by magic, two policemen appeared on the scene and seized my boy for me. My milkman, wreathed in smiles, appeared in the doorway from which the boy had just come, saying blithely and quite respectfully:

"'You've done that very well, sir. We've got the other two inside.' He then added, 'I'll just put my hands over this young feller.'

"He took off the boy's battered hat, and out of the lining came a roll of £80 in Bank of England notes. He then went through the boy's clothes and produced out of his socks a pair of ruby and diamond earrings which, to my astonishment, I saw were the very gewgaws that my wife had taken with her to have reset. The detective, for my milkman was nothing less, then pinched the boy's ear and said:

"'Where's the lady's bag?'

"'In the yard, sir,' he answered sulkily enough.

"The milkman retrieved it, and, sure enough, it was my wife's bag.

"'But,' I said to the detective, 'how did you know that I was connected with the lady who owns this bag?'

"'It's our business to know a few things,' he said. 'But if you hadn't been game to run we should have lost the lot. We were only just in time.'

"We left the boy and the two men in the house in the custody of constables and took a cab back to Bond street, and here the strangest part of the story comes in. We found my wife still discussing her pearls with the jeweler, quite unconscious of the fact that her bag was gone."

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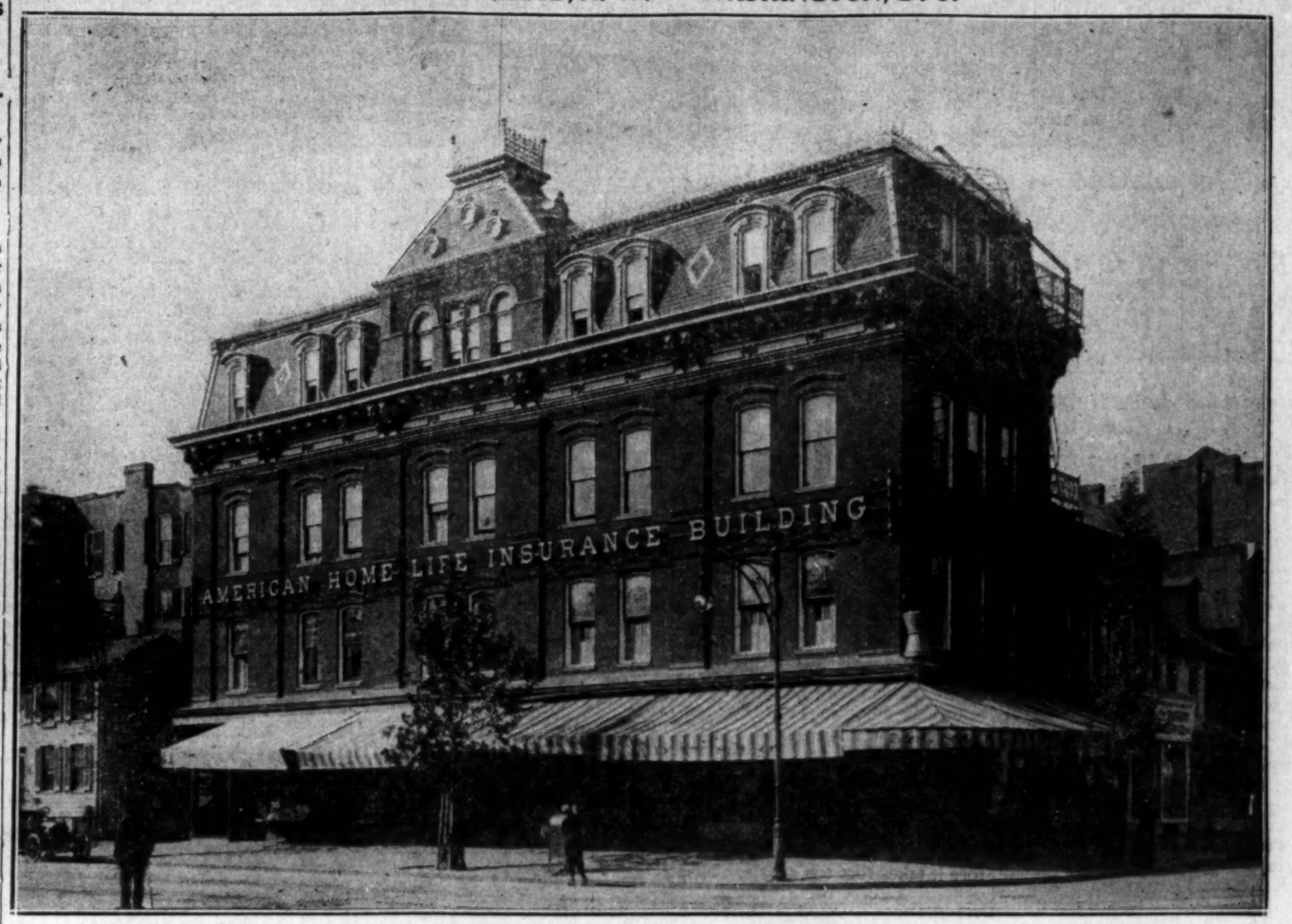

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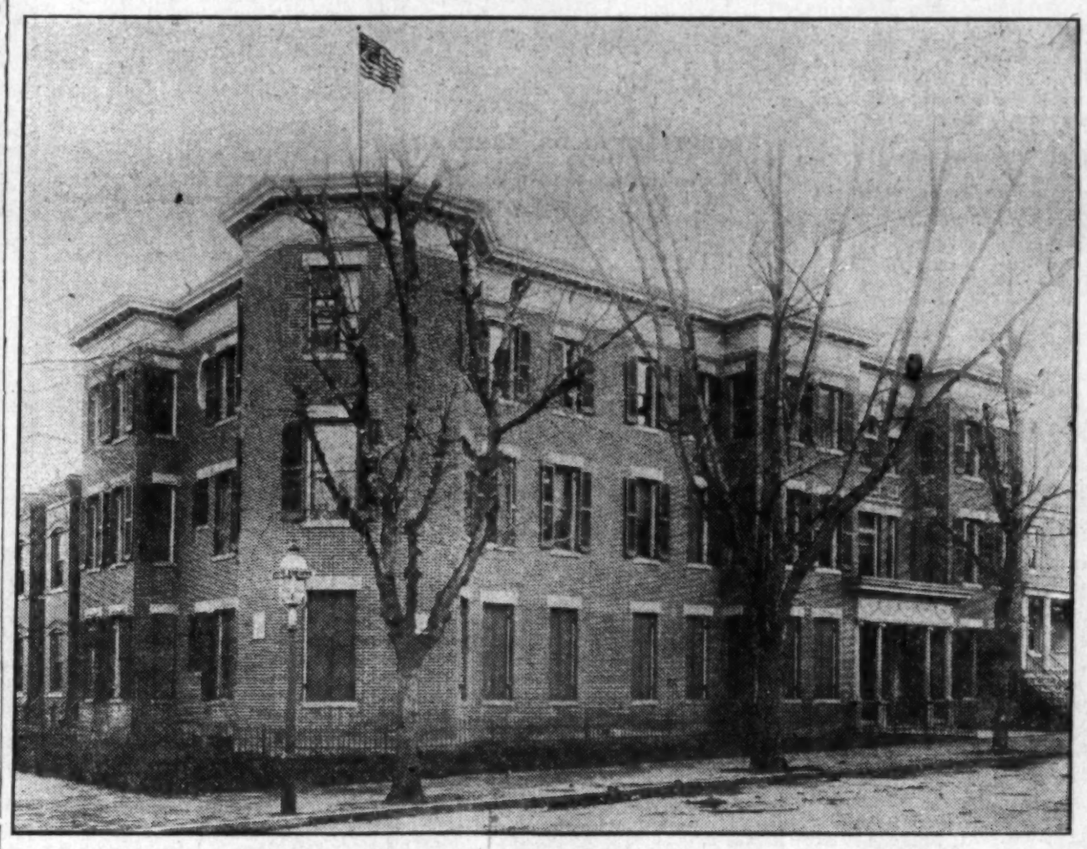

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HENRY LINCOLN JOHNSON.

There is no man in this country who is any more fearless and independent in defending his people than Recorder of Deeds Henry Lincoln Johnson. On the front page of The Bee this week a representative had an interview with him concerning his recent visit to Atlanta, Ga., and the great speech that he delivered to the Republican delegates of all colors that met to elect delegates at large. The Atlanta Constitution published what Recorder Johnson didn't say, and certain papers, edited by colored men, before investigating the truthfulness of the alleged speech, criticised and condemned him. The Bee has known Recorder Johnson for a number of years, and it has never known him to back water or to repudiate a truthful utterance that he ever made. He is not that kind of a man. He is not a man to deny his race or say a thing that would in the least degree compromise his people. The interview with The Bee is manly, and any man with a grain of manhood and fair play will say that Mr. Johnson is a man. When he was asked to betray the administration he was one man to break with his best friend, and for any newspaper to denounce and publish untruths about him is cowardly and unfair. He frankly states to The Bee representative what he said in that Atlanta speech. Why is this man denounced any way? What has he done? He has succeeded in doing what his critics cannot do or will ever do. In politics he is head and front above any of his competitors. Is it because he has succeeded? Is that green eyed monster so deeply buried into the hearts of his enemies that they are not fair or just enough to give him credit for the successful fight he made in his State and the victory that he achieved? He can be relied upon to do his duty towards his people. His record as Recorded of Deeds for this city is above reproach. He commands the respect of the entire bar, irrespective of color, religion or political creed. He knows his business and he fearlessly executes it. The Bee has the highest respect for its contemporary, the New York Age, but its attack and criticisms are unfair. Mr. Johnson is not a man to take advantage of any man. He is open in criticism of public men and measures. He doesn't pick his men any more than the Editor of The Bee. He is honest and outspoken, and today the entire State of Georgia respects him, irrespective of party. Every Judge in his State honors him, and the country at large respects him. He has over six hundred thousand Odd Fellows in this country behind him, which was fully demonstrated at the last meeting of the B. M. C. of that organization that met in Baltimore, Md., about a year ago. Mr. Johnson has won what laurels he possesses by merit, richly deserved.

Our contemporary, the Age, ought to be manly and make the amend honorable by saying to the world that it has wronged an innocent and good man. He never retreats nor does he play the coward. As The Bee has often said, and does say, he is one of the "noblest Romans of them all," a leader indeed and in fact.

A PARTY DISAGREEMENT.

President Taft has advised his supporters not to abuse Col. Roosevelt or any of those who are supporting him, because it is a party disagreement, and every loyal Republican must support the nominee of the National Republican convention. There are many colored Republicans opposing President Taft on account of his Southern policy, which, they say, they cannot support. Dr. S. L. Corrothers, who is being supported in this connection by a large number of his bishops and ministerial associates. The Bee believes that he has the interest of his race at heart, notwithstanding his opposition to President Taft on account of his Southern policy. The Democratic party is offering no inducements whatever to the colored voters, and it is quite evident that Dr. Corrothers cannot support the Democratic party and be loyal to his people, who are being opposed and discriminated against by the Democratic party. The Bee must concede that Dr. Corrothers and his associates are making a strong impression on the colored voters, and up to this writing Chairman McKinlay is doing nothing to stem the tide of the opposition, so far as the colored vote and the colored press are concerned. On the other hand the Roosevelt Bureau is making inroads on the colored press as between the several Republican candidates for the Presidency. Chairman McKinlay cannot be correctly informed, and if he is, it is quite evident that he is making no effort to secure the support of the colored press. The friends of the President ought to lay unvarnished facts before the committee, and from what The Bee understands, there are the knockers, who are informing the friends of the administration that the colored vote is solid. It is not solid, as is evidenced by the appeal made by the colored ministers last week, and the advice of The Bee is that Dr. Corrothers' appeal to the colored voters should be answered at once before it takes root too deeply. They say it is a party disagreement. If it is, let us get together at once.

RACE DISCRIMINATION.

In support of a movement before the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce for the establishment of an industrial school for white girls, Henry B. F. Macfarland, an attorney, attacked Judge DeLacy, of the juvenile court, for committing wayward girls to institutions in the District that are not under the control of the Government.

"Mr. Macfarlane asserted that Judge DeLacy's action was without warrant in law, and that if the issue were carried before the District Court of Appeals the commitments would be set aside and several changes in the system would be made. He argued that girls of the wayward type should be cared for in institutions directly under the control of the Government instead of being sent to private charitable institutions.

"The action of Judge DeLacy was defended by Chapin Brown, who declared that there is only one reform school in the District for girls, and that all of the inmates are Negro girls, and that it was for this reason that Judge DeLacy had been sending white girls to private institutions. Mr. Brown also told the executive committee that the District Committee of the Senate had put in the District appropriation bill an item for $20,000 to be used in the erection of a building for white girls, and the executive committee promptly made a recommendation that the Chamber of Commerce support the bill. The matter will receive further attention at the next meeting."

The foregoing excerpt is from the daily press. Mr. Macfarland is right and Judge DeLacy and Mr. Chapin Brown are wrong. Why should we have a separate institution for white and colored criminals as law offenders? One criminal or law offender is no better than the other, be he white or black. Both gentlemen no doubt believe in the Christian religion, and The Bee begs leave to ask both Mr. Brown and Judge DeLacy if God has any separate places of punishment in Hades for white and black, and whether God says all whites shall live and all blacks shall die? If there is not enough room at the girls' reform school for white girls because there are so many Negro girls there, make room. The Bee agrees with Mr. Macfarland; he is correct in his criticism of Judge DeLacy.

HOWARD LAW SCHOOL.

Elsewhere in this issue of The Bee, will be seen a very interesting letter from Mr. James C. Waters, a graduate of the law department of Howard University. The letter should be read by all graduates of the law department of Howard University. Why should the law school of this University be removed from where it is now? It is in close proximity to all the courts. Every college of any standing has its law school in the city and not in the country, where Mr. Waters hints that the Howard law school contemplates on being placed. The Bee cannot believe that Dr. Thirkield is against the success of the law. He has been too interested in placing good men in its faculty. The law school of this department is no doubt a necessary adjunct to Howard University, and any attempt to abolish it will be fatal to the institution. The question is, who is managing Howard University, the trustees or outsiders? If the trustees are handling it, the peoplt want to know it, or if outsiders are managing it, the sooner a change is made the better it will be for the institution.

BRUCE VINDICATED.

The Board of Education, by a vote of five to three voted to sustain the report of the superintendent, Dr. Davidson, last Wednesday evening, in his vindication of Mr. R. C. Bruce, assistant superintendent of the colored schools. Three colored members who voted against Mr. Bruce declared their intention to do what they could for the schools. There is but one thing for the colored members to do, and that is to resign from the Board of Education, because their usefulness is at an end. They made a losing fight.

BOB WARING

Trying to Hitch on the Roosevelt Bandwagon—His Letters Cause Myrth.

CINCINNATI, O., March 16.—Colored men in Cincinnati and other parts of Ohio who have received letters from Robt. L. Waring, of Washington, in the interest of Roosevelt, are laughing up their sleeve over the employment of such an unknown quantity by the Roosevelt forces. Mr. Waring couldn't get a mosquito out here to follow him, and Ohio mosquitoes usually like a soft article. He sent the following letter to Mr. Joe Jones, of this city:

Washington, D. C.,
March 11, 1912.

Mr. Joseph L. Jones,
Temple Court, 8th & Plum,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Knowing your peculiar qualifications for gauging the Negro in your State and county, I am taking the liberty to write you for information regarding the Roosevelt sentiment.

The indications here are that he will be nominated. Have you any Roosevelt Clubs in your county? Can the Negroes be organized into Roosevelt Clubs to take part in the coming primaries?

I hope that I am not troubling you with these questions, but we, of the District of Columbia, have no vote, as you fellows out in the States have, and as a result we are not as up-to-date as you are.

Will you kindly forward me the names and addresses of any friends who may be interested in the progressive movement?

I am very anxious to know what our people are doing.

I have the honor to remain,
Yours very truly,
ROBT. L. WARING.

RECEPTION TO DR. SHEPARD.

Dinner at True Reformers' Hall.

Dr. James E. Shepard, of Durham, N. C., who is to speak at Bethel Literary Tuesday night, March 26th, will be tendered a dinner by some of Washington's most eminent ministers and citizens in True Reformers' Hall. Covers will be laid for 60. The dinner will take place from 5 to 7 o'clock, and Mr. E. Murray, the well-known caterer will furnish it. Music will be furnished by the Amsterdam orchestra.

The following selections will be played at the hall during the dinner hour:

1. Overture—Poet and Peasant.
2. Selection—Flight of Fancy.
3. Serenade—Traninier.
4. Overture—Spring.
5. March—Majestic.

At the church, Mr. A. D. Washington, president, will preside, who will introduce Mr. Justice Wendell Phillips Stafford, of the District Supreme Court, who will introduce Dr. James E. Shepard. Mr. Justice Stafford has visited the school of Dr. Shepard, and he can speak of its work from personal observation. The Amsterdam orchetra will furnishe music, and will render the following selections:

1. Overture—Kiss Spring.
2. Selection.
3. March—Majestic.
4. Down Home.
5. March—Look Out. Trade Comes to America.

Committee on Arrangements—W. Calvin Chase, chairman; R. W. Thompson, secretary; S. W. Pittman, treasurer; A. W. Scott, and John C. Dancy.

Union Revival Meetings.

The annual revival meetings of the National Baptist Evangelical Convention of America, and Cosmopolitan City Mission and Church Extension Society, opened last Sunday at the the Cosmopolitan Baptist Church. Dr. W. A. Taylor, of Newport News, Va., preached a sermon, assisted by Dr. W. H. Perry, of New Jersey, Rev. J. S. Burk, Rev. Enock Harris, Rev. Holiday, Rev. Furturne, and the woman evangelist, Mrs. Estella Spiller Hawkins. These meetings will be continued until Easter Sunday, April 7th. Every week day at 3 and 7:30 P. M. A religious mass meeting will be held at 3 P. M. next Sunday. Mrs. Hawkins, Dr. Perry, Dr. Taylor will speak.

Dr. Simon P. W. Drew will direct the revival.

The testimonial reception and mass meeting at the Cosmopolitan Baptist Church, N Street N. W., between 9th and 10th Streets, is set for March 22.

Richards Literary.

The Richards Literary Club held its last meeting at the residence of Miss Helen Moore, 1834 13th St. N. W., as guest of Mr. S. W. Dudley. The entertaining program was featured by an instrumental solo rendered by Miss H. J. Moore, and an essay by Miss C. C. Thomas, on "The Life and Times of Titian." At the conclusion of the program the guests repaired to the dining room, where refreshments were served.

Public Men And Things

(By the Sage of the Potomac.)

Whenever I hear the name of the Mu-So-Lit Club I become amused. There are a few connected with it that imagine that they are really immaculate. I understand that an increase in its membership will be made as soon as the club is filled with the Juveniles. The Juveniles seem to be in the majority. Just what kind of social fever has struck this club I am at a loss to know. Richard Wordy Thompson would rather write about the Mu-So-Lits and the part that he takes in the introduction of guests than to accept a five dollar bill for a column.

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Speaking seriously about the Mu-So-Lits, my friend Bob Pelham knows these boys better than I do. I thought that I would consult him this week, but it seems impossible to catch this busy gentleman. Bob is a member of the Mu-So-Lits, pure and simple. He doesn't believe in codfish aristocracy, yet he is always with it. Washington is full of codfish aristocracy. This city is society crazed. Whist parties have monopolized the social circle, and it is always a question of discussion who is to be invited. A few codfish aristocrats are fighting among themselves. It is so very ridiculous to see them and read about them and hear others speak of them that I will not relate it. I was amused though, a few days ago, when I was an invited guest at one of the whist sittings. You can find out everything you don't know. Every whist club thinks it is better than the other party. Now just suppose the Sage knew what we said one half the time? Just think of it, said Mrs. L., to her daughter. Mrs. ——— wants to know invariably who she is? Where does she come from, and with whom she associates? This is the female dictator of whist parties in the city. Mrs. L. retorts and says: "Just think of it." Miss ——— wants to dictate to our society. You have no idea of the fun I have at these at homes of the mistresses of the whist circle.

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Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson went to Georgia and returned with the goods. Lincoln is a cosmopolitan individual, and doesn't care what his critics may say. I don't agree with the attack the Age made on him a few weeks ago. I regard it a cowardly attack. Mr. Johnson went to Georgia and fought the enemy like a man. He is one of the few Negroes in office who is not depending on a government job. He is always ready to do his duty toward his fellow man. I admire the man because he is manly. Speaking about contests in the National Republican Convention, the Roosevelt contestants have as much show of being admitted as the devil does entering the kingdom of heaven.

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There are some people in this world who are too mean to say their prayers. The colored Social Settlement had arranged to have Tallaboo repeated at the expense of the Settlement, and to allow the producers a certain per centage. A quietus was put on it by a Mrs. Busybody, whose expressions are as amusing as her acts. However, the producers failed to accept the proposition of the Settlement, and, like a dog with a bone that saw his shadow in the water, lost all. The Social Settlement is doing more work under Dr. John R. Francis than it has ever done before.

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Armond Scott failed to extend me an invitation to his tag last week. I understand it surpassed the Arlington five dollar dinner, and that Mrs. Scott and her mother performed the honors. The Police Court lawyers received a mild roasting by Grant Wilkinson, and the Mu-So-Lit Club a few weeks ago. The difference between Wilkinson and the Police Court lawyers, as he designated them, they are living off their ability, while Wilkinson is a mere accident. I understand that he is a lawyer. Why does he not resign his school position and practice his profession? I always notice that all law graduates from Oxford, England, Yale, Dartmouth, Harvard, Howard and Princeton, find their way to the police court of this city. Many of them return to their first love, either teaching school, preaching, slinging hash or catering before they starve to death. There are many college graduates who don't make decent county school teachers. I am not a lawyer, but I certainly commend the colored members of the bar for the excellent work many of them are doing. Messrs. Scott, Stewart, Clinkscales, Gaskins, Peyton, Pollard, Frisby, Collins, King, Hughes and Gray, Burly and Walker, Martin, Jones, Beckett, Smith, Ricks, Moss, are all doing well. They don't belong to the sundown class, either.

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I am glad to know that all professional men are not alike and many of those don't have to consult a white man before they give an opinion. It is well to consult your superiors, in intellect, at times, but it is unwise to ask them their opinion when you know that you are right on a proposition. I had a case recently where a physician had to consult another before he would report on an examination in which he was right. One was white and the other colored. I am glad that there are a few colored men who have backbones.

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I was asked a few days ago whether I attended church. Why I believe in the church and the Christian religion. I am shocked to see so many moving picture theaters open on the Sabbath. It is a shame to see so many young ladies, children and mothers with their babies, instead of going to church, going to these moving picture shows on the Sabbath. Hundreds of young misses can be seen upon the public streets on a Sunday evening on their way to moving picture shows, instead of going to a house of worship. What has become of our Christian religion? I am surprised to see so much frivolity on a Sunday evening. The pulpit is doing nothing to put a stop to these Sunday night frolics. Here is work for the temperance advocates. These sham reformers can be seen themselves looking for the prey. Intoxicants are distasteful to their sight and obnoxious to their eyes. You may see them, however, upon the corner admiring the beauties of nature. O! ye hypocrites and sinners, which is the more dangerous to society, chasing intoxicants or pretty girls? Will the temperance advocate answer? Don't understand me to be opposed to pretty girls. I love to look in the face of a sweet, modest girl. One that will resent an insult offered her. Then again we should protect our girls from insults. By the way, I started out speaking about moving picture theaters, and I find myself speaking of pretty girls. This is my weakness; I am a temperance advocate. We are all alike.

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I dropped into the Due Drop Inn, Joseph H. Jones, the other evening. I was looking for the Sundown American, but I was told that it had never gotten over The Bee sting. I remarked to the manager of the "Inn" that it had no doubt gone to that country where no trouble has ever known to return. Speaking of that unknown country and its inmates, The Sage has a faint recollection when many of them departed for that resting place. Yes, I do remember the departure of the Washington American. It took a sudden exit on a special train. The last time I heard Ollie he was making a speech in defense of his "weakling." I do remember hearing him say, it is not how long you have been here, but what you have done." Poor Ollie, he has realized by now the fallacy of his dreams. I wonder if he is not tired of a bachelor's life? Ocie and Ollie don't speak as they pass by. They disagreed on the "modus operandi" of past events. Oh! they are the bachelor pair.

EAGER TO HEAR DR. SHEPARD

Indications Point to a Big Meeting at Metropolitan A. M. E. Church on Tuesday Night.

Brilliant Young Educator to Speak on "Religious Training the Hope of the Negro Race"—Substantial Citizens Bestow Merited Honors.

Distinguished Men to Be Here—Justice Stafford, Rabbi Simon, President Thirkield, Dr. Ross and Others to Lend a Hand—Bethel Literary to Have a Banner Night.

Dr. James E. Shepard, president of the National Religious Training School, who is announced to deliver an address next Tuesday evening before the Bethel Literary and Historical Association at Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, will arrive in the city on Tuesday morning, coming on from his New York City headquarters.

He will be accompanied by a number of friends and co-workers, among them Archdeacon W. George Avant, of Newbern, N. C.; Dr. J. Elmer Dellinger, of Greensboro, N. C.; C. C. Amey, superintendent of the Durham Textile Mill; C. C. Spauling, vice-president and general manager of the North Carolina Mutual and Provident Association, and Dr. C. H. Shepard, a practicing physician of Durham, N. C. All are well-known and popular here.

The program at the church on Tuesday evening will be in keeping with the dignity of the occasion. Dr. Shepard's theme will be "Religious Training the Hope of the Negro Race," upon which he is an acknowledged authority. He will analyze the peculiar conditions under which the Negro labors in this country, and will offer a remedy that will square with common sense and will appeal to the judgment of all right-thinking people. He will tell of his work at Durham, where he has built up a wonderful institution—one of the very best in the land—and will describe in detail the results he hopes to accomplish through the great Ministerial Conference called by him to meet at Durham next July, as well as many other features of interest concerning the moral, material and civic development of the race.

Prof. J. Henry Lewis has prepared a rich musical program, which will include, among other things, selections by the vested choir of the Metropolitan Church, an organ voluntary by Prof. William Braxton, and a solo by Prof. John T. Layton.

Justice Wendell Phillips Stafford, of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, is to introduce the speaker, and there will be remarks by Rabbi Abram Simon, of the Jewish Synagogue, Dr. W. P. Thirkield, president of Howard University, is expected to be present, together with a host of representatives of the religious, educational, professional and business life of the nation's capital. All local pastors are urged to turn out with their congregations.

Mr. A. D. Washington, president of Bethel Literary Society, will preside, assisted by his capable official staff, and Miss Mary Curtis and Mr. E. L. Scott will act as secretaries. The Amsterdam orchestra will furnish music. Miss Nannie H. Burroughs' school choir will also sing.

Previous to the speaking, Dr. Shepard will be tendered a complimentary dinner at Murray's Cafe, 1216 U Street Northwest, by a number of personal friends. This tribute is intended as a formal recognition of the fundamental work he is doing for the uplift of his people, and as an assurance of the hearty co-operation and support of the substantial citizens of this progressive community.

Tomorrow, Dr. Shepard will be in Paterson, N. J., where he will address the Y. M. C. A. of the place. During the past week he has filled a series of important speaking engagements in New York and New Jersey, and has met with a warm reception all along the line.

Metropolitan A. M. E. Church should be crowded Tuesday evening, when he comes to deliver his inspiring message.

A Good Financial Sharing.

A special offering at the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church last Sunday morning, amounted to $1,208. Several clubs of the church contributed to this handsome sum, among which was the "Ushers Club," who contributed $50 to this fund. The fund is to be used exclusively for church repairs from time to time, a commendable object, indeed.

FAKE HARMONY MEETING.

Peace Out of the Question—Hypocrisy Exposed—Claimed He Created Dissatisfaction Everywhere.

Mr. Editor:

One would be led to believe from what appeared in "The Evening Star" of this city, March 14, 1912, under the caption of "Church Harmony urged," that the dove of peace had settled over the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church, but this is far from the truth. At the "fake" harmony meeting reported, there were about five persons present, and they were staunch Willisites. The anti-Willisites knew nothing of the meeting, nor were they invited to take part therein. We are tired of being placed ni a bad light before the public by our brethren, and we propose to bare their hypocrisy to the world. Peace and harmony can not exist there until the opponents of Willis are allowed to exercise their rights as members of the church. No member who voted against Mr. Willis is safe to go to the church alone. About three weeks ago, you will recall eight of those persons who voted against Willis were arrested merely because the went to the church. The sexton, a Willisite, commanded these people to leave the House of Worship. They refused. Bias immediately shot up the community. He was arrested and is now held under bond. Judge Mullowney dismissed the cases of the eight upon the testimony of the Government witnesses alone. Mr. E. S. Harris, one of the eight, had been a church worker for forty years; he was badly beaten up by a member of the Willis faction, who had only been in the church for nine months.

The election of June 9, 1911, was not a fair one, reflecting the sentiments of the people of the church, but was fraudulent in its very nature—money and whiskey playing an important role. It was such a farce that no minister would have accepted the call.

After the persons voting for Willis had been counted and during the time the opponents of Willis were being voted, a fight was precipitated by a Willisite, which so intimidated the people then voting that they ran out in order to escape coming in contact with the razors and knives which were being freely used by the Willisites in order to carry things their way.

Mr. Willis has created dissatisfaction in all the churches over which he has had charge. When he was pastor of the Mount Calvary Baptist Church, Orange County, Virginia, there was trouble created, and after he left peace was restored. This reverend gentleman and church dignitary then tried his hand in Greenville County, Virginia, where he succeeded in bringing on a bitter church fight, and he left there for the Nation's Capital, where he has precipitated a church war, the like of which has not been chronicled.

This same gentleman claimed to have graduated (?) from a school of theology in Virginia, which, upon investigation, we found that the school was only in existence three months, when it was burned down. We find that this same gentleman graduated (?) from a third grade private school of this city about ten years ago.

They tell us about harmony. Well, that is, what we want, but if it is to be had in the abandonment of our share in the $125,000 church, then pass it up.

We purpose to stand our ground, asking no favors, but simply the right to worship God according to the dictates of our own conscience, and at the same time not infringe upon the rights of the humblest member of the church.

JABEZ LEE,
609 F St. N. W.

Social Settlement News.

The Board of Managers of the colored Social Settlement are making a strong and earnest effort to lift the mortgage from their institution and put in a new heating plant.

They are now carrying on a Ten Cent Tag campaign, and they ask every one to contribute to this worthy cause to the small amount of ten cents when approached with the tags. The committee is very sincere about this campaign, and hope that they will never again have to go before the public with an appeal for money to cancel this mortgage.

Fifty thousand persons at ten cents each, and we will have the sum that we are so much in need of.

Now let all the people come to our relief.

The Committee: Mrs. Georgia D. Hawkins, Mrs. Roscoe C. Bruce, Mrs. Anna J. Cooper, Prof. George W. Cook, Mr. S. E. Middleton, and Dr. Thomas Jessie Jones.

Presentation at Asbury.

Presentation exercises were held at Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church last Sunday evening. The pastor, Rev. M. W. Clair, D. D., Ph. D., was presented with a purse of $75 by the church. Mrs. Fannie M. Clair, president of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, was presented with a purse of $30 by the society of the church.

The presentation address was delivered by Lawyer Sylvester L. McLaurin, and the meeting was presided over by Mr. Henry Jarvis.

Inadvertently Omitted.

The Bee apologizes to its friend, Mr. James H. Hudnell, whose name was inadvertently omitted in the report of the stag given by Attorney Armond W. Smott, at his residence, last Wednesday evening, March 18. Mr. Hudnell is one of The Bee's most ardent supporters and friends.

Cheyney Summer School.

A printed catalogue of the Cheyney Summer School has been issued. It was beautifully illustrated. Prof. Hugh M. Brown is the principal of this school.

Your doctor wants your prescriptions filled right. He wants results. Neither you nor the doctor will be disappointed if your prescriptions are filled at the drug store of Board & McGuire, 1912½ 14th St., and 9th and You Sts. N. W. They employ four graduates in pharmacy, skilled and experienced, and you get the results in perfect service.

On Wednesday evening, the 13th inst., a class of 24 persons were confirmed at St. Luke's P. E. Church by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Harding, Bishop of Washington.

James W. Piles, of 1444 Q Street N. W. is convalescent.

George W. Scott, of the War Department, has entirely recovered from La Grippe.

Mrs. Louis Brown, wife of the rector of St. Luke's Church, has entirely recovered from her late indisposition.

The Mount Moriah Baptist Church, of South Washington, at their grand rally recently held, realized the sum of $1,386. This liberal sum was raised in two months. The membership numbers about four hundred persons only.

On Good Friday, April 5th, the choir of St. Luke's P. E. Church, under the direction of Mr. Scott Mayo, precentor will render "Olivet to Calvary," a sacred cantata.

James F. Needham, of Philadelphia, Grand Secretary of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, visited this city last Wednesday on business connected with the order.

The formation of an association embracing the adult inhabitants of this city, is under advisement by a number of well known old citizens and tax payers.

The Bee is the people's paper. Why don't you have it sent to your home?

Ex-Register W. T. Vernon and Rev. I. N. Ross, left the city for Baltimore, Md., last Sunday. Rev. Ross spoke in the Monumental City.

Dr. J. E. Shepard passed through the city this week.

Dr. J. E. Shepard, president and founder of the National Religious Training School, of Durham, N. C., will deliver an address before the Bethel Literary next Tuesday evening. Subject, "Religious Education the Hope of the Negro Race."

Mrs. Charles O. Roemer, of Cumberland, Md., was called to this city on account of illness of her sister, Mrs. Nellie Sweeney Palmer.

Among the out-of-town guests at the basket ball game were Miss Alma Lightfoot and Miss Perry, of Wheeling, W. Va.

Prof. David D. Jones, the national secretary of the Y. M. C. A., of this city, spent a few days in Little Rock, Ark., on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Frances, of Philadelphia, Pa., spent a few days last week in this city.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Annie E. Nixon, of Philadelphia, to George Elkins, of this city, January 2, 1912.

Mr. Addison Jefferson is visiting relatives in this city.

Dr. William A. Sinclair, financial secretary of Douglass Hospital, and Rev. Matthew Anderson, principal of Berean Manual Training School, were in the city for a few days last week.

Drs. Board and McGuire, 14th St. N. W., and 9th and You Streets N. W., continue to treat their patrons in a manner that continues to draw them.

Erskine A. Roberts, who for the past two years has been employed in the Census Office, is visiting his parents in Key West, Fla.

Mr. Murray Cordry and wife, of Cumberland, Md., are in the city visiting his brother, Mr. J. Homer Cordry.

Mrs. Bessie Richardson returned to her home in Charlotte, N. C., after a pleasant visit in this city.

Messrs. Russell Wooding and Karl F. Phillips, spent last week in New York City. Their mission was to get an idea of the musical situation, as they are anticipating organizing a club on the same lines as the Clef Club there.

Judge Terrell was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Carter while in Harrisburg, Pa. He was royally entertained by friends during his short stay.

Mrs. Warring, of this city, was the guest of Mrs. Welford Holmes while in Pittsburg, Pa.

Rev. Virgil, of Warren M. E. Church was tendered a reception before he left for conference, which is being held in this city this week.

Mrs. Bluette Robinson Pannel, who has spent several weeks in Charleston, S. C., with her parents, returned to the city last week.

Mr. W. Sidney Pittman has returned from Durham, N. C., where he went on professional business.

Mr. James H. W. Howard spent several days with his family in Harrisburg, Pa., last week.

Miss Phoebe Henderson has returned to her home in Philadelphia, Pa., after a pleasant stay of two weeks in this city.

Miss Mayme Chinn has returned to this city after having spent the winter months in Philadelphia, Pa.

Dr. J. W. Morse is about tired of "deer" hunting, and has decided to offer his best cream and soda to the public at surprising prices. He wears a smile that will not come off.

Mrs. Martha J. Gans, the widow of the late Joe Gans, was married to Ford Dabney last Thursday night in this city. Mr. Dabney is well known in the musical and theatrical world.

Rev. W. H. Brooks, pastor of the 19th Street Baptist Church, was unable to preach last Sunday, on account of La Grippe. Rev. Ingran officiated in his place.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Kate Johannas, of New York City, to Mr. Samuel Brown, of this city. The Wedding will take place in November.

Rev. J. W. Waters, of Richmond, Va., was tendered a reception in Richmond, Va., before attending the annual conference in this city.

Don't fail to attend the Bethel Literary next Tuesday evening and hear Dr. J. H. Shepard. Subject, "Religious Education the Hope of the Negro Race." Don't miss this rare treat.

The ninth annual service of the "Crispus Attucks Relief Association" with the ladies of the C. A. R. A., will be held at the Mt. Zion M. E. Church, 29th Street, West Washington, on Sunday, March 24, at 8 o'clock P. M. Rev. I. B. Perkins will preach the sermon. Rev. Hayes, pastor, Towson Beason, director of choir, Mr. Jos. Manning, president of C. A. R. A., and Mrs. Julia West Hamilton, president of Ladies C. A. R. A.

Seasons may come and seasons may change, but the crowds go on forever at the two drug stores of Board & McGuire, 1912½ 14th St. and 9th and You Sts. N. W. Two places

Mr. S. T. Jackson, of the Southern R. R. service between Washington and Palm Beach, whose home is in Richmond, Va., with his wife, Mrs. M. L. Jackson, have been for the past month, and until April 15, located at the residence of Mrs. Eustice Scott, 1032 New Jersey Avenue N. W. They have been entertained by many friends, and also have showed to their friend as host and hostess, a good old Virginia feature of social life.

Mrs. Blanch C. Drew, wife of Rev. Simon P. W. Drew, left the city last week to live with friends in Philadelphia, Pa.

Auditor Tyler, who was to have been present at the stag of Attorney A. W. Scott, was compelled to leave the city for the West.

Mr. James H. Dabney, the well-known funeral director, is seriously ill at his home on Third Street Northwest.

Miss Jessie C. Mason continues to be indisposed with a severe cold. She is improving, however, and will be able to be out shortly.

They met at Dr. Morse's Gem Drug Store and saw themselves in front of that beautiful fountain, 19th and L streets Northwest.

WEST WASHINGTON

The annual exercises by the Male Department of Mt. Zion M. E. Sunday school took place Sunday morning. The program was excellently conducted by Mr. Wm. Audrick. Address of welcome was made by Mr. Jas. L. Turner, ex-superintendent. Addresses were delivered by Mr. Wm. I. Lee, Mr. Jas. D. Pair, and Mr. Randle Bowie. Solos by Messrs. Silas James and Robt. Anderson. The singing of the school was excellent, and a violin solo by Mr. John Byrd was one of the main features of the program.

The Nineteenth Street Baptist choir rendered one of its many pleasing sacred musicales to a large and appreciative audience on Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church, and the leader, Dr. Jas. Walker, with his entire choir, are to be congratulated for such a rare musical treat.

Death of Sadie Hall.

The funeral of Miss Sadie Hall, public school teacher, of the Wormley Building, whose death occurred Saturday, March 9, after a short illness, was held Tuesday afternoon from Mt. Zion M. E. Church, 29th Street N. W., and was largely attended. Supervising Principal Mr. John C. Nalle,, Miss E. I. G. Merritt, representing the Teachers' Benefit and Annuity Association, and a large number of teachers, scholars and friends attended the services. The floral offerings were many, and were carried by four high school cadets. Mr. J. T. Layton and Mr. E. Battles each sang solos for the occasion. Rev. D. W. Hayes officiated, assisted by Rev. M. W. Clair. Interment, Mt. Zion Cemetery.

Rev. D. W. Hayes, D. D.

The members and friends of Rev. D. W. Hayes, D. D., tendered him a grand reception on Wednesday evening at the church, and a very large audience was present to congratulate him upon his second year of his pastorate. An excellent musical program was presented, assisted by the choir. Miss Ruth Strathers sang a solo. Mr. Earnest Harp, piano solo. Addresses were delivered by Mrs. Louise Brown, Rev. C. C. Tate, Rev. Walter S. Jackson, Rev. R. A. Hart, Rev. M. T. Hayling, Rev. T. P. Thomas, Rev. U. S. Leeper, Rev. J. Milton Waldron and Dr. Chas. H. Marshall. Among the others present were Rev. E. E. Ricks, Rev. A. C. Garner, Rev. Sterling N. Brown, Rev. W. W. McCary and Rev. Arthur Randall.

Mrs. Marie Wheeler made the presentation speech with a suit of clothes of the Brotherhood; Mr. John Bell, a fine hat; Miss Watts, and Miss D. Smith, several tokens to the pastor and his wife; Mrs. Elizabeth Branson and Mr. J. Sissell, with a large committee, served the supper. Mrs. Martha Lee was chairman of the Reception Committee. Mr. Jas. L. Turner was the master of ceremonies.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Ebenezer A. M. E. Church held a very large and interesting meeting Sunday evening. An axcellent musical program, under the direction of Mr. Charles Lee, and an address by Mr. Jas. L. Turner upon the topic "Success Worthy and not Worthy," was listened to with much pleasure. Men's Day will be observed Sunday by the Endeavorers. Miss Ella Nash is the President.

The Crispus Attucks Relief Association will celebrate its ninth anniversary Sunday evening at Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church, 29th Street, at 8 P. M. Rev. Benj. T. Perkins, of Roanoke, Va., will deliver the sermon to the organization. The Ladies' Auxiliary will accompany the association. Mr. Jos. Manning and Mrs. Julia West Hamilton, are presidents respectively. Rev. D. W. Hayes, pastor, Mr. Jas. T. Beason, musical director.

ALEXANDRIA NEWS.

(By R. H. Brooks, 723 So. Fairfax St.)

A keen interest is being manifested preparatory to the organization meeting of the colored school Improvement League.

It is understood that Rev. Alexander Truat, pastor of Alfred St. Baptist Church, Rev. Henry H. Waring, pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, Rev. S. M. Johnson, pastor of Zion Baptist Church, Rev. Mitchel, rector of Meade Chapel, P. E. Church, Rev. C. S. Briggs, pastor Roberts Chapel M. E. Church, and Rev. D. J. Henderson, pastor Third Baptist Church, are in sympathy with the movement, and it is believed that they will urge their respective congregations and regular attendants to co-operate with the organizers.

Capt. Wm. H. Sweeney, superintendent of public schools of Alexandria, Va., will preside at the organization meeting, which will be held at Hallowel School, 3 P. M., Sunday, March 31. During Capt. Sweeney's administration many notable improvements have been made in the city schools, and it can be said in all candor and without fear of successful contradiction, that he has given the colored schools comparatively equal opportunities with the whites.

In view of this fact, it will be, indeed, encouraging to Capt. Sweeney when he appears on the scene Sunday March 31 and becomes acquainted with the fact that we are trying to help ourselves some, too.

Owing to business intricacies, the popular choirmaster of Roberts Chapel choir, Mr. P. H. Lumpkins, finds that it will be impracticable for the choir to sing at the "ordination of elders" 3 P. M. Sunday, at Ebenezer M. E. Church, Washington. A female chorus, in charge of Miss Buckner, will "sub" for Mr. Lumpkins and his choir, and it is expected that the girls will do much credit to themselves, the church and their able tutor, Mr. Lumpkins, who should congratulate himself as well as be congratulated, on being able to have a young female choral band that, under his instruction has attained to a degree of proficiency that is sufficient to enable them to go to sing at the annual conference under the direction of one in their ranks. This only goes to show that his determined efforts as a choirmaster, during the past quarter century, have not been in vain. The girls did not succeed in securing the services of our talented organist, Mr. Edgar J. Johnson, as was expected.

Mr. Edw. P. Dixon, Jr., president of the Young Men's Bible Class of Alfred Street Baptist Church, announces a very interesting program for Easter.

The Junior Epworth League, of Roberts Chapel M. E. Church, under the able supervision of Mrs. Maggie Evans, is making ready for an Easter program that will eclipse all their previous Easter services.

Raymond H. Murray, the successful manager of the Hiawatha Theater, was in town for a short while this week, and it had been so long since Raymond was over to see "all us" friends in "Squash Centre" that, on every hand the fellows greeted him with a cordial "delighted," while the girls all made him the happy recipient of copious showers of kisses and pardonably modest country caresses. It was a real corroboration of the statement so often made by his friends and acquaintances to the effect that he is "everybody's friend."

The Lenten services at Meade P. E. Chapel are being largely attended. Rev. Dr. Mitchel, the rector, and Mme. J. Milton Hopkins, his ardent co-worker, organist and musical directress, are a potent factor in the work of Christianizing the community.

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Our Friend From Dixie.

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"Our Friend From Dixie" was in the city this week. This successful company, under J. Leubrie Hill, will play at the following places:

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March 31, Walnut Street Theater, Louisville, Ky.

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Entertains Vermont Avenue Church Officials—The Olive Branch of Peace Extended.

There was a reception tendered Rev. James E. Willis and officers of the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Jones, at their residence, 1901 Vermont Avenue N. W., last Wednesday evening, March 13. There was a large crowd of friends of the pastor and admirers of the officers of the church, who turned out to greet them. The house was beautifully decorated with flowers and American flags, and there was general rejoicing on the part of the officers.

During the evening, speeches were delivered by Rev. Dr. Sayles, Edward Gordon, Robert Porter, Rev. Dr. Washington, Deacon Eldridge Hawkins, Moses Payton, Thomas E. Sewell, **Robert Taylor and others.**

While the guests were seated at the table, Mr. Jackson H. Ralston, of the firm of Ralston & Siddons, appeared and made a most eloquent address, counseling the members to use wisely and well, the victory which they have achieved in bringing about peace and harmonw in the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church, and to treat the members fairly.

Rev. Dr. Willis was then introduced and made a brief talk. He was followed by Mr. Jones.

Among those present were: Rev. James E. Willis, Rev. Aquilla Sayles, Rev. Edward Gordon, Rev. Porter, Rev. W. D. Norman; Deacons Eldridge Hawkins, R. Johnson, James Pinn, C. Armstead, S. Lewis, George W. Timus, Robert Taylor, W. Wheeler, James Porter, Archie Robinson, Joseph Jones, James Sewell, George Only, James Washington, William Ephraim, Edward Taylor, Jerry Wilson, David Bias, Moses Payton, Robert Warren, Richard Brown, Reed, William Johnson, John Bias, Rev. Daniel Washington.

Social Stag.

Mr. Jas. M. Stockett, of Providence, R. I., a law student of Howard University, who is residing with his uncle Mr. Jno. L. Hickman, 1011 Third St. N. W., entertained at a stag dinner last Wednesday evening, the following gentlemen: Messrs. W. E. Tyler, J. Street, C. Gross, J. H. Snow, J. G. Lecount and I. N. Wiggins. After a hearty repast, such as college boys will certainly have, there was music, games and student bachelor's quiet smoke. All enjoyed themselves, leaving the house singing "Jim is a Jolly Good Fellow."

The Saturday Night Whist Club.

The Saturday Night Whist Club was delightfully entertained Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson, 1004 S Street N. W., the regular meeting having been postponed from Saturday evening. Those present besides the host and hostess were: Mr. Arlington B. Chaney, of New Bedford, Mass., and Mrs. Chaney; Mr. and Mrs. James B. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Buckner, Miss Mary O. Chaney, Miss Ersina E. Jones, Miss Vivian Lucile Thompson, and Messrs. Horace Morris and Al. A. Andrews. A dainty luncheon was served.

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Attorney Thomas L. Jones has been added to the committee on arrangements.

Dr. J. E. Shepard at the Bethel Literary, March 26th.

A SULTAN'S SEVEN BEDS.

Abdul Hamid, In Fear of His Life, Changed His Sleeping Place Every Night.

An interesting reminiscence of Abdul Hamid, the former sultan of Turkey, who was known as Abdul the Accursed and by several other more or less unpleasant titles, is given in the description of a visit to Yildiz Kiosk by Colonel (Count) Gleichen in the Household Brigade Magazine.

"The house was a perfect labyrinth of small rooms," he writes. "In no fewer than seven of these rooms were beds on which the sultan used to sleep—not ordinary beds, but large couches, sloping at a considerable angle from the head end downward, so that, covered with a quilt or two, his majesty could sleep in a semi-upright condition and spring up at a moment's notice to be ready for anything.

"No one knew in which of the seven rooms the sultan was going to sleep, for he changed his resting place every night for fear of hidden dangers. Along the main passage which led past many of these rooms a most ingenious arrangement existed for giving warning of the approach of any one. The floor was composed of loose planks under the carpet, so that merely to walk along it started a clanking sound which must invariably have waked a light and nervous sleeper."

OYSTER ISLANDS.

Their Growth Is Exactly Analogous to That of Coral Reefs.

Oyster islands similar to those formed of coral are found in several parts of the world. The islands in Newport river and Beaufort harbor, North Carolina, says a writer in the Century Path Magazine, have been discovered to have as base a reef to which the spawn were attached and above this layer upon layer of oysters, vegetable growth and debris brought by the action of the waves and winds, all of which finally grows high enough to rise above the surface of the water. This growth is exactly analogous to that of the coral islands of the Pacific.

The islands near the mouth of the river Tagus, in Portugal, are said to have been built up in this way also. Here, where there is such a quantity of oysters that 100,000,000 a year would scarcely be missed if they were removed, the expanse of water just beyond the river's mouth is dotted with oyster islands. As in the case of the coral reefs, which on the seaward side may be covered with living, growing coral, live oysters thrive in the same waters where the accumulation of dead generations has served to form the islands.

Muscles May Move Themselves.

Albert von Haller, a Swiss surgeon of the eighteenth century, was the first to point out that the muscles of our bodies have an automatic action. Before Haller's time it was believed that the muscles could not contract or swell up of themselves, but were drawn up by the nerves of volition. Haller discovered that this is not so, but that a muscle, if irritated, will draw itself together automatically, even when it is quite separated from the nerves, and this has since been proved to be true by a great number of experiments. So that, though it is true our nerves are the cause of our moving, because they excite the muscles and so cause them to contact, yet the real power of contraction is in the muscle itself. The body of man is full of wonders, not the least of which is this automatic power of contraction in all muscles. — Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Comma.

The point on which most writers are at odds with the compositor is the comma. He is too fond of this particular punctuation point. He takes a delight in breaking up the flow of a sentence with his artificial pauses. We all say, "Why then did you do it?" in one breath. It is the compositor who says, "Why, then, did you do it?" It is possible to be too hard on the comma. It has its undeniable uses. Edward Clodd in his memoir of Grant Allen tells the story of a compositor who dissented very strongly from that writer's moral philosophy and had to "set up" an interview with Allen in which the sentence occurred, "He is happily married." He salved his conscience by printing it "He is, happily, married."—London Chronicle.

A Cheerful Liar.

One time the late ameer of Afghanistan asked the English diplomatic agent at his court to give a description amid a circle of Afghan boys of the largest gun in England. The Englishman described the 100 ton gun, and when he had finished the ameer observed to his admiring subjects, "I have seen a gun the cartridge of which was as large as the gun which has just been described to you." It would never do for an ameer to be astonished, much less to confess himself beaten.

One Idea Developed.

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Grotesque Fashions In England In the Eighteenth Century.

Dandyism developed a new phase of quiet richness during early Georgian times, and the court exquisites were stately figures in finely laced shirts, long skirted coats and gold clocked stockings. The hats worn by the beau were modified reproductions of those in fashion at Versailles, and the art of wearing them was shown in the tilt. In fact, different angles in the tilt identified the wearer's status and locality.

In 1772 dandyism became again paramount. A band of young bloods returned from an extended tour abroad, and while in Italy they had contrived to get several new ideas about dress into their somewhat empty heads.

Fired with an ever growing sense of their own importance as arbiters of fashion, they formed themselves into a group known as the Macaroni club, in contradistinction to the good old fashioned Beefsteak club of London.

The Macaronies dressed their hair in enormous side curls, with a hideous knocker-like twist at the back. With this exaggerated coiffure a tiny hat was worn, which it was correct for the wearer to raise with his tasseled cane.

A soft white handkerchief was tied in a huge bow under the Macaroni's chin. His coat was short, and his tight knee breeches were made of striped or flowered silk. Thus garbed, with innumerable dangling seals, two watches at least, silk stockings and diamond buckled shoes, the dandy walked abroad, eminently satisfied with himself and quite convinced that his appearance was greatly envied.—"Beau Brummel and His Times."

Pretty Heavy Umbrellas.

The great objection to umbrellas 100 years ago was their weight, and when it is stated as a matter of fact that the very smallest umbrella then weighed no less than three and a half pounds it will probably be admitted that the objection was a justifiable one. Instead of the thin rainproof fabrics which now form the covering of umbrellas nothing better was known than leather or oilcloth. The ribs were of wood or whalebone, and such a thing as a steel rod was, of course, unknown. The stick was usually of heavy oak. In those days, too, many umbrellas had the additional incumbrance of feathers over the top on the theory of "shedding water off a duck's back." But the oilcloth and leather umbrellas, notwithstanding the feathers, were apt to leak.

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WOMAN AND WOE.

An Experienced Traveler Says That Old Age In India Always Blends the Two Into One.

"I have seen women under a burning midday sun reaping in the fields," says a writer on India; "I have seen them at roadmaking in the streets of cities; I have seen them loading engines with coal at railway stations; I have seen them in long procession on the white roads of the plains carrying great burdens on their heads like a string of camels. And I have seen also in the eyes of every old woman whom I have encountered, every one of them, such misery, adversity and angry bitterness as seemed to curse the very air of heaven. I have not seen one happy old woman in the whole country.

"Women follow through the village like a dog at the husband's heel. Maternity is no excuse for the task in the field and the duties of the house. They are servants without wages and without liberty to select another master. Before them is perpetual servitude, and if they are so abandoned by the gods as to reach old age their certain destiny is misery, dejection, friendlessness and black despair. I never knew all the meaning of the word woe until I looked into the face of an old woman under an Asian sky.

"The women folk of the upper classes in India, speaking generally, are more the prisoners of their husbands than the women of the helot castes. They do not labor except in cooking and serving the meals of their husbands, but they are cut off from the world as completely as a nun: they do not even know, in many cases, the male relations of their husbands. They are little more than caged animals taught to do a few household tricks."—Chicago News.

TESTING AN EGG.

There Are a Number of Ways to Detect Staleness Besides Smell and Taste.

It does not require a very discriminating palate to detect an old egg from a new one, says a correspondent of the New York Sun. The former has a musty flavor that the latter never has, and the mustiness may range from a slight taint to a very pronounced one. It is always noticeable in storage eggs.

If any one wishes to verify the judgment of his palate, the following tests may be used:

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2.—A stale egg cannot be beaten to a froth.

3.—When a fresh egg is broken into a dish the yolk stands up and the white does not spread, whereas in a stale egg the yolk lies flat and the white seems watery.

4.—The shell of an egg after a certain length of time loses its chalky appearance and becomes shiny.

5.—The air space in the large end of a newly laid egg is about half an inch in diameter, and as the egg ages this space grows larger. In storage eggs it sometimes extends to one-fourth the length. An expert can very closely approximate the age of an egg by examining this space. This is known as candling and is done by holding the egg in a beam of light. A simpler test is to hard boil the egg and notice the relative size of the space.

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Chentinz T. Wang, who is expected to be appointed Minister to the United States, to represent China, the newest of the world's republics, is well known here, both in diplomatic and educational circles.

Preparations are being made for a national exhibition in connection with the fifteenth international congress on hygiene and democracy, which will be held here during the last three weeks in September.

The Phillippoteaux painting, depicting the far-famed "Pickett's Charge," is now in this city, and through the courtesy of Secretary Fisher, it is now on exhibition at the Patent Office. It is said the picture is the most realistic portrayal of the battle of Gettysburg ever made.

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May.

Dr. W. J. Gaines, Bishop of the First Episcopal District of the African M. E. Church, died at his home in Atlanta, Ga., at the age of 70 years. He was interested in educational work of his race, and the founder of Morris Brown College. He had been Bishop for thirty years.

The Spanish Government is deciding upon placing an army of 16,000 blacks, to be officered by Spaniards, to take part in the Moroccan campaign.

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WANTED—BOYS.

Boys who want to earn money should call at The Bee office every Friday afternoon and secure The Bee and sell it to the people. More money is earned from selling The Bee than from any other paper in the city.

Death of Miss Adams.

Miss Carrie Adams, sister of Mrs. Josephine Chase, who died March 6, was buried Saturday, March 11. Miss Adams was one of the best known citizens in the Northeast.

Dr. Shepard Going North.

Durham, N. C., March 19.

Dr. James E. Shepard left here this evening over the Seaboard Air Liue for New York. He will be accompanied by Dr. J. Dollenger, of Greensboro, Archdeacon W. Geo. Avant, Neberry, N. C., Charles C. Amey, superintendent, Durham Textile Mills, Dr. Charles H. Shepard, C. C. Spaulding and others. Dr. Shepard will speak at Summit, N. J., Wednesday, March 20; Thursday, at Passaic, N. J., Sunday, 24th, before the Y. M. C. A. at Patterson, N. J.; 25th, at Hackensack, N. J., and before the Bethel Literary in Washington, Tuesday, March 26.

On the Boulevard.

McMullin's barber shop, 1022 You Street Northwest, is the most popular place on the boulevard. Here is where you will meet all Washington. If you want to know who is who and what's what, go to McMullin's and wait your turn for a shave, hair cut or shampoo.

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WIDOWS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION—A WORTHY WOMAN.

Mrs. Ella Cannon, Founder and President of the Widows' Relief Association, Organizes a New Branch.

A large and enthusiastic body greeted Mrs. Ella Cannon, organizer and President of the Widows' Relief Association of the District of Columbia, at the residence of Mrs. Glover, 1327 Fifth Street, to organize a new branch to be known as Branch No. 1. The constitution and by-laws were read and ratified by those present.

MRS. ELLA CANNON
Founder and District Treasurer of the Widows' Relief Association.

Then the District president set over forty members apart, after which officers were elected, the presiding officer to be known as Worthy Guide, Mrs. Mary Jackson being elected to this office.

Then all present repaired to the dining room, where a bountiful repast had been prepared by Mrs. Glover.

This association was founded by Mrs. Cannon, of Garfield, D. C., over five years ago, to assist the poor and struggling widows of her immediate neighborhood. So much good was accomplished that the association was incorporated, so other associations have been formed therefrom.

Mrs. Cannon hopes to increase the number of branches and by the latter part of the year expects to see a membership of 1,000.

REV. STEWART H. BROWN

Pastor of Ebenezer M. E. Church.

Rev. Stewart H. Brown, pastor of Ebenezer M. E. Church, is one of the most successful and energetic pastors in the M. E. Conference. He has been in the ministry for twenty-three years. For three years he was pastor of John Wesley Church, Baltimore, one of the largest churches in the connection. He is a trustee of Morgan College, and a member of the examining board of the conference. He is what is called a business preacher. Since he has been at Ebenezer Church he has paid $4,500 on the main debt of the church, besides keeping up the minor expenses, which is always in evidence. Two hundred and fifty persons have been added to the church. He is ever alert in the interest of the church, and as an orator he ranks with the best in the M. E. Church. In disposition Dr. Brown is one of the most genial persons you ever met. He is kind, obliging, and ever ready to give Christian aid. The weather is never too severe for Dr. Brown to visit the sick of all denominations, and extend the Gospel hand with prayer for the suffering.

REV. S. H. BROWN, D. D.
Pastor of Ebenezer M. E. Church and President of Board.

He has made good wherever he has been sent, and the Bishop will do a service to Ebenezer by continuing him on as pastor of this famous church.

This conference will elect delegates to the General Conference, and Dr. Brown is a candidate. No better man in the connection could be selected than he. A strong and noble man should be selected to the General conference, and Dr. Stewart H. Brown, in every way, is the one fit for the high honor to represent his church and race in the General Conference. He was born in Maryland and was reared under the influence of good methodist parents, entering the ministry while quite young, and has won his way to the front by hard and faithful work.

The General Conference meets in Minneapolis, Minn., in May. Dr. Brown was married to Miss Margaret Hawkins, February 7th, this year. She is well known in all Christian and benevolent societies. She is a constant visitor to the District jail, where she talks, sings and prays to the inmates of that institution.

REV. SYLVESTER L. CORROTHERS.
Who is Leading the Revolt

What the Opposition Claims.

Editor of The Bee:

Dr. S. L. Corrothers, the leader of the movement to crystalize public sentiment among the Negroes through the country, to defeat the renomination of President Taft, and to secure the nomination of Col. Roosevelt, has met with an unusual degree of success. Dr. Corrothers sent out 586 letters to secure a straw vote from colored men of prominence as to their choice as between Taft and Roosevelt. These letters went to bishops, prominent pastors, educators and professional men in verious sections of the United States; the result shows that 533 replied. Of these 519 were for Col Roosevelt. The Negro Ministers' Association in many sections have voted their approval of Dr. Corrothers' course, and 97 per cent of the Negro newspapers of the country are out for Roosevelt as their first choice. Dr. Corrothers and his followers purpose to carry their fight against President Taft and his Southern policy to Chicago next June. If the Republican machine succeeds in nominating President Taft in spite of the protest of the Negro voters in all sections of the country, then they propose to cast the weight of the Negro vote to Speaker Champ Clark, of Missouri, or some other good Democrat. Mr. Taft's Southern policy has rendered it impossible for the self-respecting Negro to support him. This line-up on the part of the leading Negroes is to prevent the necessity of withdrawing from the party they have been identified with for the last forty-five years. Those who know Dr. Corrothers say he has the courage and aggressiveness to carry what he believes will result in the greatest good to the greatest number of his people.

W. T. BECK,
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TESTIMONIAL RECEPTION.

Presentation of Banner by St. John's Tabernacle, 39.

One of the largest benevolent organizations in this city is the A. I. O. of Moses. The St. John Tabernacle, No. 39, will give a testimonial and honor presentation Tuesday, April 2, at Cadet Armory, O street, between 6th and 7th streets N. W. Addresses

MR. JOSEPH J. MINOR
Supreme Grand Master.

will be made by Mr. Wm. B. Harris, D. G. M. and G. W. O. of O. F., and Mr. W. Calvin Chase, editor of The Bee. Refreshments will be served by a committee of ladies, free. This testimonial is given in honor of Mr. Joseph J. Minor, Supreme Grand Master. This testimonial is for valuable services rendered in placing the great organization on a financial basis. This is one of the lodges Mr. Minor assisted in setting afloat. He was instrumental in establishing peace in the lodge, and today it is one of the strongest lodges in the order. Mr. Minor is a hard worker and a man who has the confidence and respect of the members and a large circle of friends. The coming testimonial will no doubt be the greatest in the history of the organization.

Don't fail to go and hear Dr. J. E. Shepard, at the Bethel Literary, March 26th.

FAIRMOUNT HEIGHTS.

This community is favored by the establishment of a bank at the District Line. This bank offers due consideration to all.

Mr. James F. Armstrong, the lay delegate to the Washington annual conference, left for the seat of the conference Wednesday, March 20. Mr. Armstrong has the honor of being the first member of the Methodist Episcopal Church organization here; also to be, the first delegate elected to represent the new church in the annual conference..

Mr. R. S. Nichols is doing effectual work at the First Presbyterian Church here. He has been elected superintendent of the Sunday school, and has outlined great things for the spring and summer.

Rev. J. M. Waldron, pastor of the Shiloh Baptist Church, preached at the First Baptist Church here March 17, at 3 o'clock. The meeting was well attended and a nice collection was taken. The good Baptists are receiving the heartiest co-operation of their Methodist and Presbyterian friends.

The newly instituted Home Builders Lodge, No. 8928, through some of its officers, has begun laying plans for a Household to work in conjunction with the lodge. A committee of ladies, consisting of Mrs. Laura Flack, Mrs. Thos. R. Lloyd, and Mrs. G. S. Williams, has been authorized to canvass the community for eligible ladies for a club which, when properly organized, will be turned into a Household of the G. U. O. of O. F.

One of the many offices for uplift in our community, which is little known among the people, but which is noble in its inception, is a branch library that Mrs. W. S. Crouse has established for the benefit of our school children, under the auspices of the library extension work. Mrs. Crouse deserves much praise for this quiet, but effective endeavor.

Great enthusiasm is being manifested over the coming appearance of the Hon. Henry Lincoln Johnson, acting Grand Master, G. U. O. of O. F., on Easter Monday night at the Public Hall, where he is to address the citizens and members of the Home Builders' Lodge. And also over the acceptance of the Hon. W. Calvin Chase, editor of The Bee, of an invitation to appear on the program on the same evening. These two men will electrify any audience, and every man and woman within walking distance will do well to come out and hear them. A large attendance is expected from Washington. Get your tickets now from any member of the lodge, and be in line for a seat.

Amid the torrents of rain, hundreds attended the pastor's reception at the Fairmount Heights M. E. Church on Friday night last, and filled it to the doors. Both the auditorium and lecture room were beautifully decorated. The program of the evening was an intellectual display, which was inspiring to all present. The program was as follows:

Welcome Address—Mr. A. E. Briscoe.

Response, by Rev. Tyler.

Work of Pastor, Mr. Jas. A. Campbell.

Recitation, Mrs Mary E. Campbell.

Presentation by Mr. W. A. Addison.

An address of encouragement was made by Dr. E. S. Williams, D. S., D. D., in which he commended the congregation for their excellent year's work. The occasion was enlivened by music furnished by the church choir, which received much applause. The table also furnished much attraction. It was tastefully dressed and bedecked with various mid-summer flowers, which made the guests feel that they were feasting among the flowers of May.

Among those present were Rev. E. S. Williams, D. S.; Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Howard, Rev. and Mrs. Tyler, Rev. and Mrs. Randall, Rev. and Mrs. Hart and others.

At the regular meeting of the Home Builders' Lodge last week, the members had as their guest Bros. Williams and Dorsey, two veteran Odd Fellows of the community, and they proved of great help in assisting from time to time in the business of the evening.

Sunday, March 17, was "red letter" day at the M. E. Church here. All the services were well attended. The pastor read a tabulated statement of the work accomplished during the year, which was gratifying to all.

FOR SALE AT ONCE.

One half or all interest in the Mt. Clemens Hotel and Eureka Mineral Bath House (**For colored people exclusively**) which is the only hotel and bath-house combined, owned and operated by a colored man at any of the health or summer resorts in the United States. A good proposition for a hustling young man with money. For particulars, write Geo. I. Hutchinson, Prop., 218 Welts St., Mt. Clemens, Mich.

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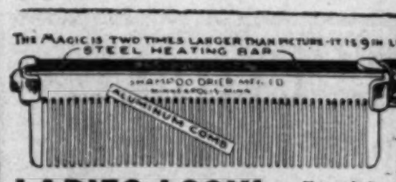

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